

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An article of headwear having an adjustable configuration comprising, in combination:

a crown portion; and

a sweatband secured to a peripheral edge of the crown, the sweatband comprising

an inner piece formed of stretchable fabric material in an unfolded condition having opposed longitudinal edges and folded about itself such that the opposed longitudinal edges of the inner piece are proximate one another to form a seam; and

a binding of elastic material secured to ~~a side~~ an outer side of the folded inner piece having the seam.

2. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the binding is secured to the inner piece with stitching.

3. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 2, wherein the stitching comprises a row of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate each of opposed longitudinal edges of the binding.

4. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 3, further comprising a row of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate each of longitudinal folded edges of the inner piece.

5. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 4, wherein the inner piece is secured to the crown

portion with one of the rows of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate one of the longitudinal folded edges of the inner piece.

6. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the binding is secured to the inner piece with adhesive.

7. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the sweatband is secured to the crown with adhesive.

8. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, further comprising a bill secured to the crown portion.

9. (Previously Presented) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the inner piece is formed of cotton and spandex.

10. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the binding is formed of elastane.

11. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the inner piece is cut in a bias direction.

12. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the binding is cut in a bias direction.

13. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the crown portion is formed of a plurality of gores.

14. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 13, wherein the gores are formed of a stretchable fabric material.

15. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 14, wherein the stretchable fabric material is elastane.

16. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 1, wherein the binding of elastic material is secured to the inner piece such that it covers the seam.

17. (Previously Presented) An article of headwear having an adjustable configuration comprising, in combination:

a plurality of gores forming a crown; and

a sweatband secured to a peripheral edge of the crown, the sweatband comprising

a filler piece of elastic material;

an inner piece of stretchable fabric material in an unfolded condition having opposed longitudinal edges and folded about the filler piece of elastic material such that the opposed longitudinal edges of the inner piece are proximate one another to form a seam; and

a binding of elastic material secured to a side of the folded inner piece having the seam.

18. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the binding is secured to the inner piece with stitching.

19. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 18, wherein the stitching comprises a row of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate each of opposed longitudinal edges of the binding.

20. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 19, further comprising a row of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate each of longitudinal folded edges of the inner piece.

21. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 20, wherein the inner piece is secured to the crown portion with one of the rows of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate one of the longitudinal folded edges of the inner piece.

22. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the binding is secured to the inner piece with adhesive.

23. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the sweatband is secured to the crown with adhesive.

24. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, further comprising a bill secured to the crown.

25. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the filler piece is formed of elastane.

26. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the binding is formed of elastane.

27. (Previously Presented) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the inner piece is formed of cotton and spandex.

28. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the inner piece is cut in a bias direction.

29. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the binding is cut in a bias direction.

30. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the gores are formed of a stretchable fabric material.

31. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 17, wherein the binding of elastic material is secured to the inner piece such that it covers the seam.

32. (Previously Presented) An article of headwear having an adjustable configuration comprising, in combination:

a crown formed of a plurality of gores, the gores being formed of a stretchable material;

a bill secured to the crown; and

a sweatband secured to a peripheral edge of the crown, the sweatband comprising

 a filler piece of elastic material;

 an inner piece of stretchable fabric material in an unfolded condition having opposed longitudinal edges and folded about the filler piece such that the opposed longitudinal edges of the inner piece abut one another to form a seam; and

 a binding of elastic material secured to a side of the folded inner piece having the seam.

33. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the filler piece is formed of elastane.

34. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the binding is formed of elastane.

35. (Previously Presented) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the inner piece is formed of cotton and spandex.

36. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the inner piece is cut in a bias direction.

37. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the binding is cut in a bias direction.

38. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the binding is secured to the inner piece with stitching.

39. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 38, wherein the stitching comprises a row of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate each of opposed longitudinal edges of the binding.

40. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 39, further comprising a row of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate each of longitudinal folded edges of the inner piece.

41. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 40, wherein the inner piece is secured to the crown portion with one of the rows of stitching extending substantially parallel to and proximate one of the longitudinal folded edges of the inner piece.

42. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the binding is secured to the inner piece with adhesive.

43. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the sweatband is secured to the crown with adhesive.

44. (Original) The article of headwear of claim 32, wherein the binding of elastic material is secured to the inner piece such that it covers the seam.

45. (Currently Amended) A sweatband having an adjustable configuration comprising, in combination:

an inner piece formed of stretchable fabric material in an unfolded condition having opposed longitudinal edges and folded about itself such that the opposed longitudinal edges of the inner piece are proximate one another to form a seam; and

a binding of elastic material secured to ~~a side~~ an outer side of the folded inner piece having the seam.

46. (Original) The sweatband of claim 45, further comprising a filler piece of elastic material, the inner piece of stretchable fabric material being folded about the filler piece of elastic material.

47. (Original) The sweatband of claim 45, wherein the binding of elastic material is secured to the inner piece such that it covers the seam.

48. (Original) The sweatband of claim 45, wherein the binding is secured to the inner piece with stitching.

49. (Original) The sweatband of claim 45, wherein the binding is secured to the inner piece with adhesive.